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Applicants : David Stern and Ann Marie Schmidt
Serial No. : 08/905,709
Filing Date : August 5, 1997
For : A METHOD TO PREVENT ACCELERATED
ATHEROSCLEROSIS USING (sRAGE) SOLUBLE
RECEPTOR FOR ADVANCED BLYCATION
ENDPRODUCTS

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February 12, 1998

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 23, 1997 NOTICE
TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)

This Communication is submitted in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) issued in connection with the above-identified patent application on December 23, 1997. A response to the December 23, 1997 Notice is due February 23, 1998. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

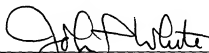
Applicants attach hereto a copy of the Notice as **Exhibit A**. Applicants hereby submit an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63 (**Exhibit B** hereto). The Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date.

The surcharge for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) is SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) for a small entity. Applicants previously established small entity status. A check for this amount (\$65.00) is enclosed.

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No fee other than the \$65.00 surcharge fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
Filing Date Granted

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. However, the items indicated below are missing. The required items and fees identified below must be timely submitted ALONG WITH THE PAYMENT OF A SURCHARGE for items 1 and 3-6 only of \$ 65 for a ☐ large entity ☒ small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. The surcharge is set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e). Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required above to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☐ large entity ☒ small entity (verified statement filed), is \$ 65.

- ☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a verified-small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

- ☒ 2. Additional claim fees of \$, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☐ is missing.
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.
☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.
☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

- ☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are:

- ☐ missing.
☐ by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43, or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 6. A \$ processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.
☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.
See attached "Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules 37 CFR 1.821-1.825."
☐ 9. OTHER:

Direct the response and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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